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DATE: November 10, 2003 (Memo to File)
FROM: James E. Israel, Investigator
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TO: File
SUBJ.: John E. Whitney, III (Follow up) SSID #
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MEMORANDUM

On Monday, November 10, 2003, while in the field, I traveled to 256 Salem Street, Woburn to execute a follow up to the interview of the above named individual. Upon my arrival, Mr. Whitney was just arriving at the above address. We exchanged greetings and I advised him as to why I was there.

I advised Mr. Whitney that I was in possession of a report from 1989, wherein, he categorized the Whitney Barrel Customers into five (5) categories and I wanted to understand his basis for the categorizing.

Mr. Whitney explained that his basis for categorizing the customers depended largely on the nature of their business. Their type of business would dictate or signify, for the most part, what type of residue was in the barrels received from that customer. If a customer was in the food industry business, and food only, then that customer was considered not likely to have sent waste oil or hazardous materials (residue in barrels) to the facility. On the other hand, if the customer was in the waste oil business or chemical business, then that customer was considered likely to have sent waste oil or hazardous materials (residue in barrels) to the facility. Other customers about which little is known are the "no big name customers." Customers that just wanted to sell a few barrels.

